

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF AG and EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEES
OF LAFAYETTE COUNTY
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2015 – 10:00 AM
Sheriff's Conference Room – Courthouse, Darlington**

Members Present: John Bartels, Carol Korn, Larry Ludlum, Jack Wiegel, Leon Wolfe

Others Present: Mary Knellwolf, Lori Berget, Ted Bay, Matt Hanson

The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Bartels at 10:07 a.m.

Knellwolf stated that the meeting had been properly posted in the Ag Center, Courthouse and Darlington Municipal Building, and sent to the Republican Journal.

A motion was made by Wolfe and second by Wiegel to approve the Agenda for the Ag & Extension Committee meeting on Wednesday, March 4, 2015. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ludlum and second by Korn to approve the minutes from the Ag & Extension Committee meeting, on Monday, February 2, 2015. Motion carried.

Move into Closed Session at the Request of the Extension Committee Under Chapter 19 Sub-Chapter IV, Sec. 1985(1)(c), Wisconsin Statutes (Consideration of Performance Evaluation Data of any Public Employee over which Lafayette County has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility to do performance evaluations of UW-Extension Educators.)

A motion was made by Korn and second by Wiegel to move into Closed Session for the Performance Evaluation of UW-Extension Educators. Roll-call vote: all yes. Motion carried.

Reconvene to Open Session

A motion was made by Wiegel and second by Wolfe to reconvene to Open Session. Roll-call vote: all yes. Motion carried.

Discussion and Possible Action on Items Discussed in Closed Session

A motion was made by Wolfe and second by Korn to accept the reports from Lori Berget, Mary Knellwolf, and Ted Bay. Motion carried.

Discussion and Update on CNRED Educator Position

The Extension Committee agreed to refill CNRED position at the previous maximum salary rate at their last meeting on February 2, 2015. Human Resource Committee tabled the discussion at their last meeting on February 17, 2015. Matt Hanson gave an update on the State Budget and the CNRED refilling process.

Discussion and Update on Ag Educator Position

Applications were received for the Ag position. Four participants will be interviewed March 6. Final interviews will be held on March 26, 2015 at the Grant County office in Lancaster. Committee will leave the Lafayette County UW-Extension office at 8:00 a.m. for those interviews.

Update on Parking Signs

Parking signs have arrived and will be installed by the Maintenance Department in the near future.

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Lori Berget taking the responsibility of 50% of the Department Head Role

A motion was made by Wolfe and second by Wiegel to appoint Lori Berget to 50% Department Head Role. Motion carried.

Discussion for Possibility of 4-H Summer Intern

A motion was made by Wolfe and second by Ludlum to approve a summer 4-H intern position for \$2000. This person would help with summer 4-H activities and the Fair. Berget will supervise this position. Motion carried.

Bartels will get this placed on the next Human Resource Committee meeting.

Discussion and Update on Civil Rights

Bay reported on his contact with Amish farmers at a session on open pollinated corn.

Review of Vouchers

A motion was made by Wiegel and second by Ludlum to approve the vouchers.

Next Meeting Date & Future Agenda Items

The next meeting will be Monday, April 6, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.

Adjournment

Moved by Ludlum and second by Korn to adjourn meeting. Motion Carried. Meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Mary Knellwolf